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## Commissioner for Patents

The reply filed on June 8, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): There is no election of a Group for examination. Applicant is required to elect a single Group for examination. Applicant's argument that an enablement rejection is an invitation to amend is not found persuasive. Further, Applicant's argument that the compounds have a similar core structure is simply not correct. As noted in the restriction, there is no common core structure between a first compound that comprises an acetimidoyl-L-lysine group and a second compound comprises an aminomethyl-L-phenylalanine compound. These share no common structural features other than the additional groups linked to the substructures. This is even more clearly seen by comparing other group members, some of which further differentiate the structure by having methylsuccinyl or 3-tm-carboxyphenylpropylsuccinyl groups linked to the base structure. Thus, each inhibitor is distinct, would require a distinct search and lacks any common core structure. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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